# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA ABINGDON DIVISION

| MATTHEW KRUMTUM,            | ) |                      |
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| Plaintiff                   | ) |                      |
|                             | ) | SCHEDULING ORDER     |
| V.                          | ) | Case No. 1:16cv00007 |
|                             | ) |                      |
| STEVEN B. CRAWFORD, et al., | ) |                      |
| Defendants                  | ) |                      |
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The court proposes the following as a Scheduling Order pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b). If no party requests changes within 10 days from its date of entry, it will constitute the Scheduling Order in this case.

It is **ORDERED** as follows:

### **Trial**

- 1. This case is set for jury trial in Abingdon at 9 a.m., on February 6-9, 2017, before the Hon. James P. Jones, U.S. District Judge.
- 2. If the case is settled, the court will dismiss the case from the docket, and, if no agreed final order or judgment is thereafter submitted within 60 days, or if no party files a motion to reopen within such time, the case shall, without further order, stand dismissed with prejudice.

#### **Motions**

- 3. A supporting brief must accompany all motions, unless the motion itself contains the legal argument necessary to support it. If a motion has been filed prior to this order, and legal argument did not support it, the movant must file a supporting brief within 14 days of the date of this order. If the motion is opposed, a brief in opposition must be filed within 14 days of the service of the movant's brief (or within 14 days of this order if a motion and supporting brief have been served prior to this order). Except for good cause shown, if a brief opposing a motion is not timely filed, it will be considered that the motion is unopposed. If the moving party desires to submit a reply brief, it must be filed within 7 days of the date of service of the brief opposing the motion.
- 4. If any party desires a hearing on a motion, the hearing may be requested with the court prior to or at the time of the filing of the motion or response. Otherwise, it will be considered that the motion is submitted for decision without hearing.
- 5. Motions for summary judgment must be filed no later than 75 days prior to trial. Any response to the motion, including the brief in opposition, must be filed prior to the day of the hearing, or, in any event, no later than 14 days after service of the motion.
- 6. If a motion is unopposed, and the moving party certifies such fact in the motion, no brief need be filed, nor response made to the motion. Procedural motions, including motions for enlargement of time, whether or not opposed, may be acted upon at any time by the court, without awaiting a response, and any party adversely affected by such action may request reconsideration, vacation or modification of such action.

7. Any motion by the parties to join other parties and/or to amend the pleadings must be filed no later than 120 days prior to trial.

## **Discovery**

- 8. Initial disclosures will be exchanged by no later than June 15, 2016, unless the parties agree to waive the disclosures. Discovery requests may be served at any time.
- 9. All discovery must be completed by no later than 90 days prior to trial. This schedule requires that written discovery be served in sufficient time to allow the responding party time to respond before the cutoff date for discovery.
- 10. Discovery and disclosure material is not to be filed unless and until actually used in the proceeding, except as to the disclosures under Rule 26(a)(3) of trial witnesses and exhibits, which must be filed.

### Witnesses

- 11. The plaintiff shall serve reports from retained expert witnesses on the opposing party by no later than 150 days prior to trial. The defendants shall serve responding reports from retained expert witnesses by no later than 120 days before trial. The plaintiff shall serve rebuttal reports from retained rebuttal expert witnesses by no later than 105 days before trial.
- 12. Any motion to exclude the testimony of an expert based on the sufficiency or reliability of the expert's testimony must be filed no later than the deadline for filing motions for summary judgment.

- 13. At least 14 days prior to trial, the parties must make the pretrial disclosures of witnesses and exhibits as required by Rule 26(a)(3), and must make objections to deposition testimony and exhibits at least 7 days prior to trial.
- 14. Proposed jury instructions must be submitted to the court at least 7 days prior to trial, with copies provided to opposing counsel.

## **Summary of Deadlines**

| 15. | Trial Date   | February 6-9, 2017     |
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|     | Submit Proposed Jury Instructions                            | 7 days before trial    |
|     | Object to Deposition Testimony and Exhibits                  | 7 days before trial    |
|     | Disclose Witnesses and Exhibits                              | 14 days before trial   |
|     | Plaintiff's Expert Disclosures                               | 150 days before trial  |
|     | Defendants' Expert Disclosures                               | 120 days before trial  |
|     | Rebuttal Expert Disclosures                                  | 105 days before trial  |
|     | File Summary Judgment Motions and Motions to Exclude Experts | 75 days prior to trial |
|     | Complete Discovery   | 90 days prior to trial |

ENTERED: May 13, 2016.

/s/ Pamela Meade Sargent
United States Magistrate Judge